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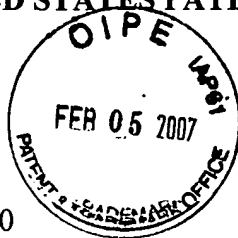
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, the Applicant attaches hereto a completed PTO Form 1449 (modified) and, if required, copies of the information cited therein.

<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a)</p> <p>I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below, with sufficient postage, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p>BY <u>Katie Keogh</u> Katie Keogh DATE: January 31, 2007</p>



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**IDENTIFICATION OF REFERENCES AND
CONCISE EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE
OF REFERENCES NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

U.S. Documents

4,222,126	4,265,694	4,364,127	4,731,074
4,888,009	5,358,518	5,376,113	5,393,858
5,403,912	5,500,016	5,562,729	5,653,749
5,800,527	6,086,612	6,165,215	6,171,335
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It is requested that the Examiner review the above-identified references and make them of record in the instant application as required by M.P.E.P. § 609. It is also requested that the Examiner initial the enclosed duplicate substitute form 1449 and return one copy to the Applicant's undersigned representative.

The references listed in this Information Disclosure Statement comprise the most pertinent prior art known to Applicants and their attorneys as of the date hereof. This Information Disclosure Statement should not be construed as a representation that the cited reference is material or that no better art exists.

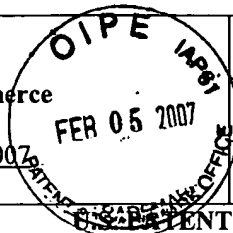
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